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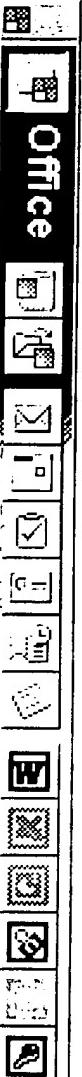
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Express Mail No.: EL615430507US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

the application of:

Akira Ishikawa, et. al.

Appl. No.: 09/975,343

Filed: October 11, 2001

For: MAGNETIC TAPE

Art Unit: 1773

Examiner: Stevan A. Resan

Atty. Docket: 05911.0006.CNUS01

Confirmation No.: 1181

REQUEST FOR A REFUND

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22213-1450

Sir:

We hereby request the refund of \$930.00 to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing our docket number of 05911.0006.CNUS01, because the Patent Office charged the three-month extension fee of \$930.00 TWICE in the above referenced application around September 29, 2003. The details are as follows:

On September 29, 2003, we mailed via Express Mail No. EL615430175US, a Petition for Extension of Time (three months extending the period from July 2, 2003 to October 2, 2003) and a check of \$930.00 (no. 6277). Inadvertently, a typographical error was made regarding the application serial no. This September 29 transmittal is shown in Exhibit A.

On September 30, 2003, we mailed via Express Mail No. EL615430189US, another Petition with the correct application number, a new check of \$930.00 (no. 6280), and a communication explaining the error in the September 29's transmittal. This September 30 transmittal is shown in Exhibit B.

While we attempted to stop the first \$930 check (no. 6277), ultimately the Patent Office cleared both \$930 checks (no. 6277 and no. 6280). See Exhibit C. Thus, we request that the Patent Office refund \$930.00 to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing the docket number of 05911.0006.CNUS01.

Repln. Ref: 01/21/2004 EEKUBAY1 0009313700
DAB:083038 Name/Number:09975343
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Application No.: 09/975,343
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Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact the attorney listed below.
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Respectfully submitted,


Wallace Wu (Reg. No. 45,980)

Date: November 19, 2003

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EXHIBIT A

~~EXPRESS MAIL NO.: E-515430175US~~



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Appl. No. 09/974,343

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Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action be extended three months from July 2, 2003 to October 2, 2003 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$930.00 for a three month extension for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying check. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

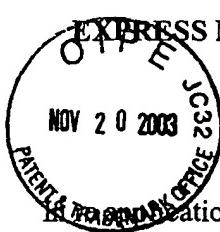
The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 05911.0006.CNUS01. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

~~Wallace Wu (Reg. No. 45,380)~~

Date: September 29, 2003

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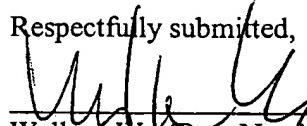
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In re application of:

Akira Ishikawa *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/974,343 (mistakenly listed as such in a transmittal on September 29, 2003)

Filed: October 11, 2001

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Art Unit: 1773

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

On September 29, 2003, we mailed via Express Mail No. **EL615430175US**, a Petition for Extension of Time (three months extending the period from July 2, 2003 to October 2, 2003, copy attached). Inadvertently, a typographical error was made and the application number was listed as 09/974,343, whereas it should have been 09/975,343. Attached to this Petition was Check No. 6277, for which we have ordered a stop payment. We apologize for this error. On September 30, 2003, we are filing via Express Mail No. **EL615430189US** another Petition with the correct application number and a new check.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 05911.0006.CNUS01.

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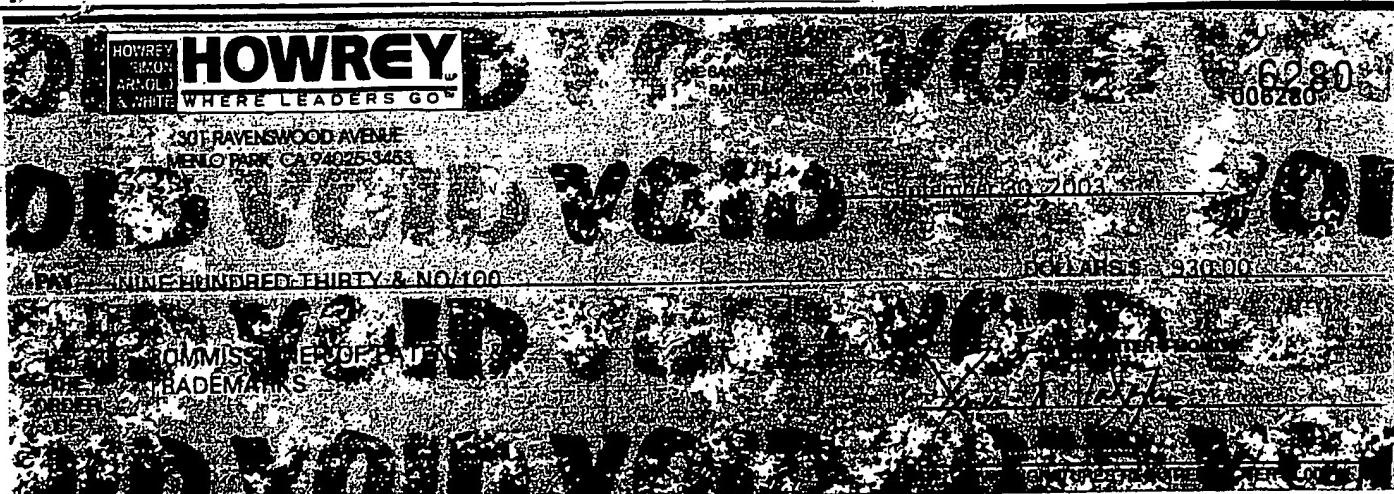
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